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PROGRAM

THIRTIETH ANNIVERSARY

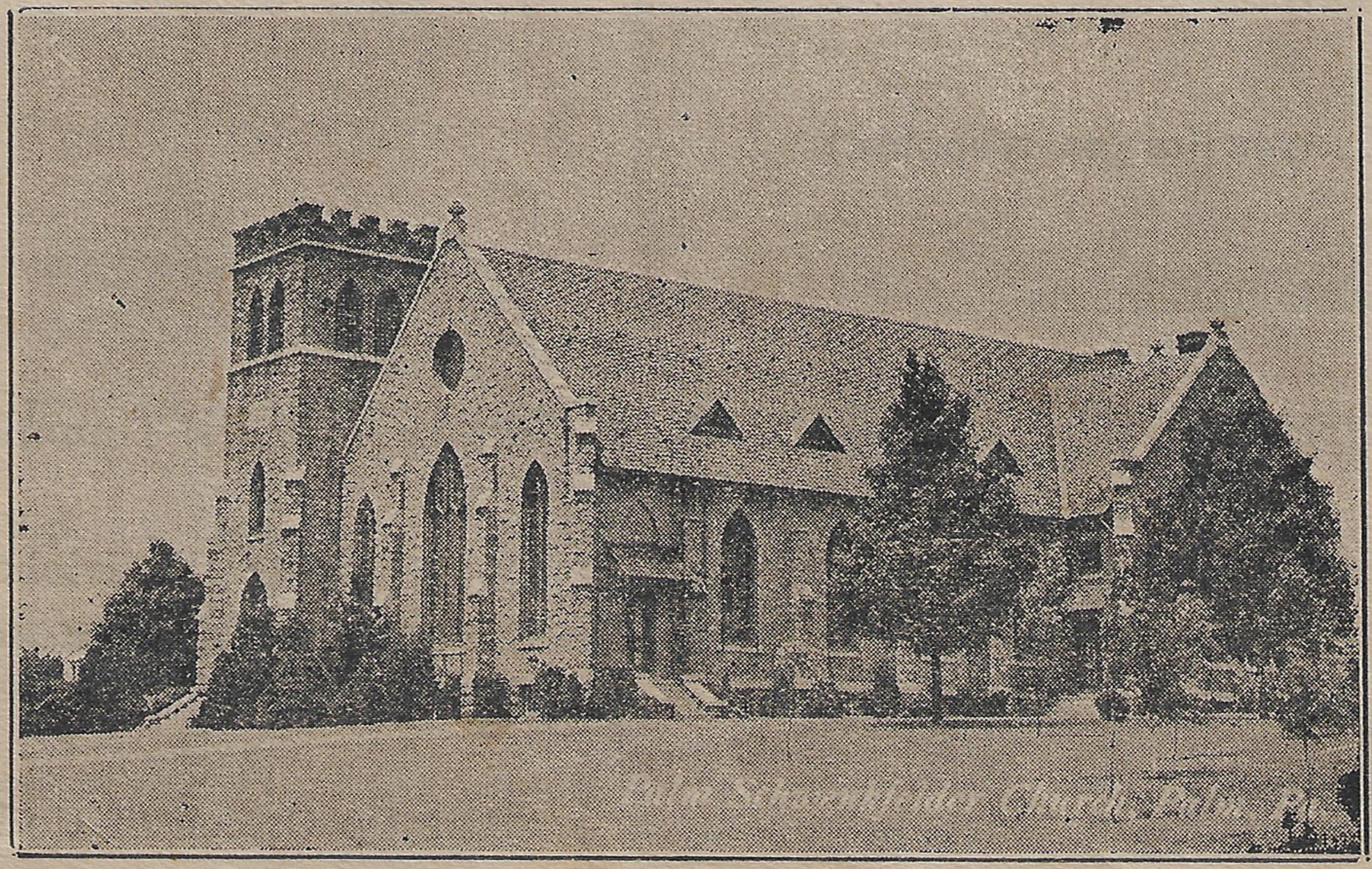
OF THE

BUILDING AND DEDICATION

OF THE

PALM SCHWENKFELDER CHURCH

Palm, Pennsylvania



Palm Schwenkfelder Church, Palm, Pa.

November 9 - 16, 1941

ALL WELCOME

PROGRAM

Sunday, November 9

Sunday School ..... 8:50 A. M.

Oscar S. Schultz; Superintendent

Worship Service ..... 10:00 A. M.

Prelude ..... Florence C. Schultz; Organist

Holy, Holy, Holy (One Stanza)

Hymn ..... "Love Divine All Love Excelling"

Scripture ..... I Kings 8:22-40; 54-61

Prayer (organ response)

Announcements

Hymn ..... "Jesus Calls Us, O'er the Tumult"

Sermon — I Thessalonians 2:4 ..... Lester K. Kriebel

Minister of The Palm Schwenkfelder
Church since September 9, 1932.

Hymn ..... "Rise Up O Men of God"

Offering

Doxology

Benediction

PROGRAM

Sunday, November 9, 7:30 P. M.

ANNIVERSARY MUSICAL PROGRAM

Palm Schwenkfelder Chorus

Milton S. Bieler, Director

Mrs. Lester K. Schultz, Accompanist

Processional — March of Athalia ..... *Mendelssohn*
Organ and Piano

Invocation ..... Rev. Lester K. Kriebel

A Musical Retrospect ..... Mrs. Amos S. Schultz

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name ..... *Galbraith*

Now Let All the Heavens Adore Thee ..... *Bach*
Sleepers Awake

I Walked Today Where Jesus Walked ..... *O'Hara*

Praise Ye the Father ..... *Gounod*
Men's Voices

Meditation de Thais ..... *Massenet*
Organ and Piano

Gloria in Excelsis ..... *Mozart*
Twelfth Mass

God is a Spirit ..... *Bennett*

How Lovely are Thy Messengers ..... *Mendelssohn*

Praise to the Lord ..... *Neander*

Offertory ..... Florence C. Schultz

And the Glory of the Lord ..... *Handel*
The Messiah

Lift Up Your Heads, O Ye Gates ..... The Messiah

Worthy is the Lamb That Was Slain ..... The Messiah

Hallelujah ..... The Messiah

Benediction

PROGRAM

Sunday, November 16

Sunday School ..... 8:50 A. M.
Oscar S. Schultz; Superintendent

Worship Service ..... 10:00 A. M.

Prelude ..... Florence C. Schultz; Organist

Holy, Holy, Holy (One Stanza)

Hymn ..... "The Church's One Foundation"

Scripture

Prayer (organ response)

Announcements

"Unfold Ye Portals" ..... *Gounod*
The Redemption

"The Heavens Are Telling" ..... *Haydn*
The Creation

Palm Schwenkfelder Chorus

Anniversary Sermon ..... Elmer E. S. Johnson
Pastor, Hereford Mennonite Church

Vocal Solo ..... Mrs. Elmer E. S. Johnson

Dedication Hymn

Offering

Doxology

Benediction

PROGRAM

Sunday, November 16, 2:00 P. M.

Prelude ..... Florence C. Schultz; Organist

Hymn

Scripture ..... J. Maurice Hohlfeld
Pastor, Lansdale Schwenkfelder Church

Prayer ..... Levi S. Hoffman
Pastor, Central Schwenkfelder Churches

Hymn

"The Building of the Palm Schwenkfelder Church"
A Historical Paper ..... Oscar S. Schultz
Secretary, Palm Schwenkfelder District Conference

Hymn

Greetings

Representing the Schwenkfelder Ministerium
Harvey K. Heebner
Pastor, First Schwenkfelder Church, Philadelphia

Offertory; Organ and Piano Duet ..... Florence C. Schultz
Mrs. Lester K. Schultz

Greetings

Representing the Community Ministers .. Dr. Calvin M. DeLong
Pastor, New Goshenhoppen Reformed Church,
East Greenville, Pa.

Hymn

Benediction ..... Robert J. Gottschall
Pastor, Norristown Schwenkfelder Church

PROGRAM

Sunday, November 16, 7:30 P. M.

YOUNG PEOPLES' EVANGELISTIC SERVICE

Presiding Officer ..... Paul S. Bieler
Superintendent, Young Peoples' Department,
Palm Schwenkfelder Sunday School

Song Service ..... John P. Moyer
Chorister, Palm Senior Christian Endeavor Society

Presentation of Presiding Officer ..... Pauline Schultz
President, Palm Senior Christian Endeavor Society

Devotions ..... Helen Hallman
President, Perkiomen Branch of Christian Endeavor

"True-Hearted, Whole-Hearted"

"The Child of a King"

Palm Christian Endeavor Chorus

Roll Call ..... Marian Schultz
Recording Secretary, Palm Senior
Christian Endeavor Society

Select Men's Chorus

Address ..... Dr. Paul Schubert
Department of New Testament,
Hartford Theological Seminary

"Beyond the Sunset"

"None Ever Cared for Me Like Jesus"

Palm Christian Endeavor Chorus

Offertory

Hymn ..... "I Am Thine O Lord"

Mizpah Benediction

PUBLIC WORSHIP SERVICES IN THE "UPPER DISTRICT"

Following the arrival of the Schwenkfelders in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in 1734, worship services were conducted in the private homes of the various "House Fathers" until 1790. During that year the first log meeting-house was erected at Hosensack, replaced by a modest plain stone structure in 1838, and remodeled in 1893. This building is still standing, in which an annual memorial service is conducted.

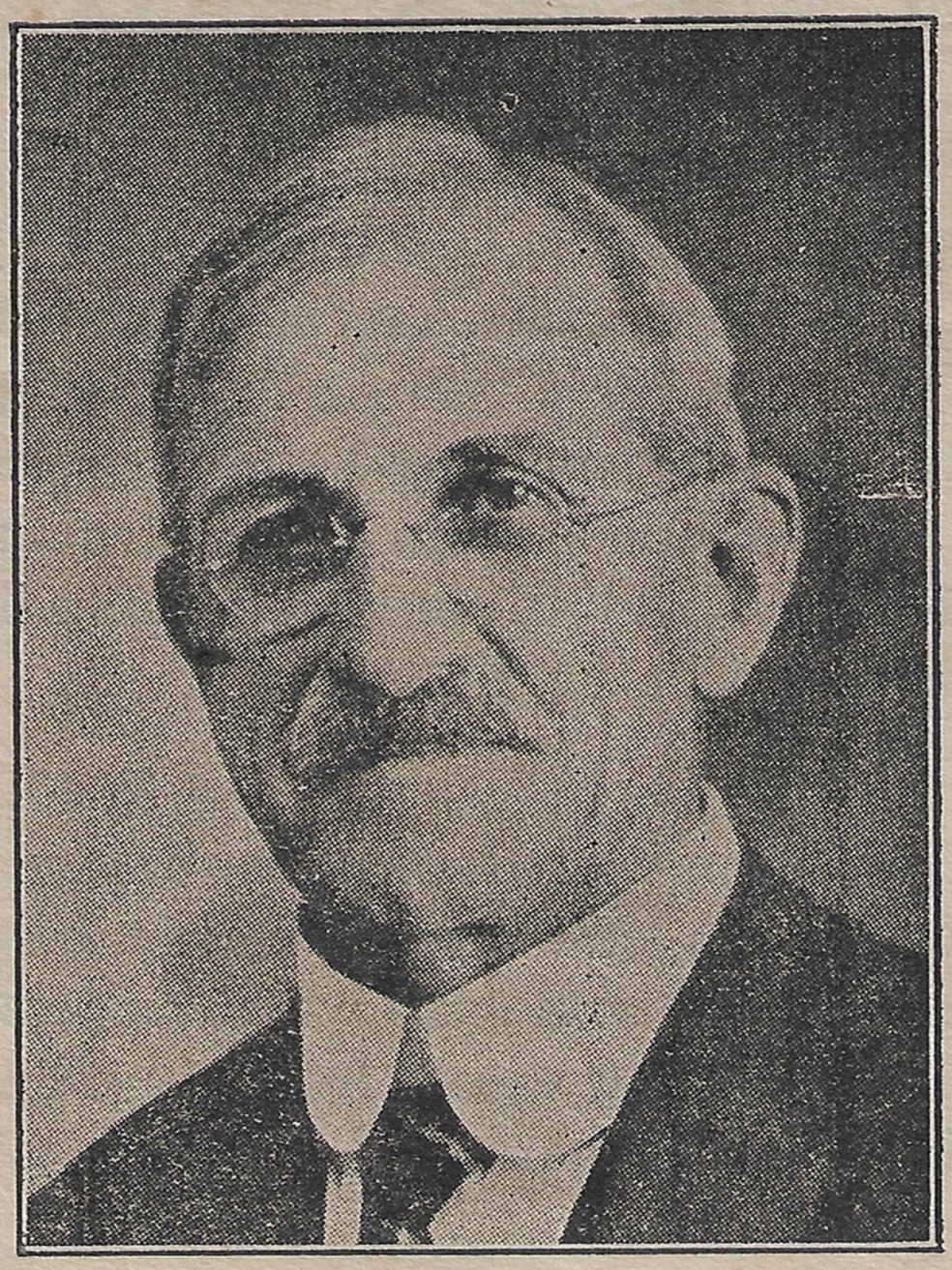
The second meeting house was erected in 1791 near Clayton, Washington Township, and dedicated that year on Memorial Day, September 24. In 1824 the original building was replaced by a more modern stone structure which was entirely remodeled in 1883. Finally it was razed, following the erection of the Palm Schwenkfelder Church, 1911, and the site preserved by an appropriate granite marker.

Near Kraussdale the first meeting house was built of rough stone in 1825, which was replaced by the present brick structure in 1875 and remodeled in 1900. From the respective dates of origin services were thus held in rotation at the Hosensack, Washington, and Kraussdale Schwenkfelder Meeting Houses until the dedication of the Palm Schwenkfelder Church, September 24, 1911.

Because of inadequate Sunday School facilities at the various meeting houses, a special district conference was called to convene at the Washington Schwenkfelder Meeting House October 9, 1909. At this meeting, attended by members from all three meeting places, a motion was adopted, by a nearly unanimous vote, to consolidate and erect a suitable church building at Palm, Pennsylvania. This building, begun in 1910, was dedicated September 24, 1911. Regular Worship Services have been conducted there to the present day.

The responsibility of supervising the building of the new Church was in charge of the Building Committee, which consisted of:—

Adam S. Krauss
Owen K. Schultz
Josephus K. Gerhard, sole surviving member
Erwin N. Schultz



Oscar Schultz Kriebel

September 10, 1863
February 16, 1932

Minister of this Church, 1892-1932

Dedication Hymn, Composed by Dr. O. S. Kriebel for service on September 24, 1911.

O Lord, our God, to Thee alone
With grateful hearts our songs we raise,
We humbly bow before Thy throne,
And offer sacrifice and praise.

For this new House of Thine abode
We magnify Thy Holy name.
For help and guidance here bestowed
We thank Thee, God, with one acclaim.

O Thou, whose own vast temple stands
Built grandly over land and sea,
Accept these walls which human hands
Have raised in faith to worship Thee.

May Thy unfailing truth and love
Be magnified within this shrine;
And may Thy message from above
Inspire our hearts with love divine.

May God be our foundation sure
While living temples here we build
That through all changes shall endure
And with God's Spirit e'er be filled.

To Thee, our Father and our King,
We consecrate ourselves anew;
Bless Thou our feeble offering,
And keep our hearts sincere and true.